

WINTER PINCHES, NOW.

If You pity the Poor Read What Follows.

LAST NIGHT ONE OF SUFFERING.

A Large Number of Cases of Destitution Named and Located.

It was at an early hour when a long line of miserably poor people wended their way this morning to the poor commissioners and to the office of the Associated charities.

After a terrible night of suffering from the cold and storm, a great many of the poor left their little tumbled down houses, that wouldn't make a good sized boiler, but where they have existed and not lived for a long time, in a great many instances, and came to ask assistance.

People without work and no way of obtaining it, widows who have children dependent upon them for support, indigent people who would not work even though they could get it, these were the classes of people who applied at the benevolent institutions this morning for aid.

Last night was a hard one for them and the stories they told of suffering were pitiable.

An old man probably sixty years of age called upon Secretary Eldridge of the Associated Charities this morning and said he had but one piece of coal in the house and that his wife was at her home, 1221 Monroe street, attempting to get a breakfast when all they had in the house was a little flour and corn meal.

This poor man looked as if he didn't sleep much last night because of the cold, but he said as soon as he could obtain work he would provide for his wife as she should be provided for in her old age.

Another case was reported from 1014 Lima street, where a family of six live. The husband is a carpenter and he and two children were sick in the house, which was miserably furnished and cold. Two days ago the request was made by this family for more bed clothing. They could not be supplied because the Associated Charities didn't have it. Coal was given them, but they need, just as much, clothing and sufficient food.

A pitiful case of destitution can be found near Second street on the Stunganga street, where resides a family, consisting of an old man, his wife and several children. Mebilly is the man's name and he is indigent when he can get work, but some time ago he received injuries while working on the sewer and his health has been poor since that time. Nevertheless, he is willing to work if he can secure a job.

At 329 Hancock street resides a widow with four children whose life has not been cast in pleasant places. A few years ago her husband was a happy man, but her husband died last night because of the cold, and since his death she has had a hard struggle to keep the little family from starvation.

She has been able to do some washing when she could get it, but lately she has been unable to secure any work and she is entirely dependent upon charity. She has been furnished coal and fuel by the Associated charities and Poor Commissioner Hale has also assisted her.

At 711 Line street may be found a family whose whole existence is merely one of hope.

Each morning the husband goes out in search of work, and each evening he returns home without finding it. There are six children in the family, and the poor mother with a babe in her arms, does the best that she can for them. But life is worth living under such circumstances?

An old soldier who resides at 711 East Eighth street is fighting the battle for life. He has a wife and grand-children, but it's a hard battle for him. He retires \$17 a month from the government. After he pays his house rent and coal bill he hasn't much left with which to purchase provisions for his wife and grandchild. He needs help.

This list might be continued into almost hundreds of cases, and Secretary Eldridge of the associated charities says he receives about ten calls each day for help. Already the society has given away about 1,100 pounds of flour and fifteen tons of coal. This morning the Crosby mills delivered 1,100 pounds of flour to the secretary, which will be disposed of under his direction.

The Santa Fe have also given the association a carload of coal and the Southwestern fuel company tons.

The secretary has at his office about a half dozen pairs of old shoes and clothing consisting of trousers, coats and underclothing.

Call for a Mass Meeting. President Fenwick of the associated charities has issued a call for a mass meeting to be held on Friday evening at Library hall.

At this meeting those interested in charity organizations already formed, the poor commissioners, the board of county commissioners and city officials are expected to be present, and an entirely different plan of work will be adopted.

Instead of having one secretary look after the entire work of the city, the plan proposed is to have the city divided into districts and have a supervisor for each district whose duty it is to know about every case of destitution in that district and report each case to the general secretary who will relieve each case.

SNAP SHOTS AT HOME NEWS.

There were young boys of a quartet. He insisted on having first button. They brought him some. He refused to take it, and they carried him out on a stretcher.

The river was frozen over this morning. Melbourne MacDowell wears a black sack coat. Bishop Vincent will preach at Toronto next Sunday.

How old will "Bobby" Burns be tomorrow? Just 103. The electric motor men have the coldest job in Topeka.

There are three free kindergarten schools in the city. Topeka's real estate is valued at \$7,272,500 by the assessors. Bishop Vincent lectures at Kansas City, Kan., this afternoon.

This weather is a little cold for the health of spring chickens. Olin S. Davis is now librarian of a large library in New Jersey.

Police Commissioner A. B. Whiting owns a large stock farm in Geary county. Auditor Van B. Penner was confined to his room yesterday on account of sickness.

John B. Cole is to have charge of a billiard hall which Lee Jones proposes to open. Secretary Fred Close is in Fair Worth looking after the North and South railroad.

The jurors for the February term of the United States district court have been drawn. Just as many white people apply to Poor Commissioner Hale for help as colored.

Governor and Mrs. Leavelle are expected home Friday from their California trip. Twelve Kansas counties have offered to compromise their taxes with the Santa Fe.

The mother of Burger Turner is still in the city. She will stay until Turner is sentenced. State Senator Train will be here next month as a juror in the United States circuit court.

"Spelling bees" are in vogue in North Topeka. In Parkdale they are having "study pulls." Dr. Neely's bond as United States marshal has been approved, but he has not yet qualified.

Chief Wilmarth says the most disastrous fires generally occur in January and February. This weather the life of the dromen and the children is not what it is cracked up to be.

It will not be necessary for the members of the State Bar association to go out between the acts. The Farmers' and Drivers' bank of Kingman is now in the hands of the United States court.

The maple trees which were commencing to bud last week, have indefinitely postponed their efforts. Bishop Vincent delivered a lecture on "That Boy, Slavery," at the First Methodist church last evening.

Mayor Burdick says if Clyde Maxon can escape from the Shawnee county jail he is welcome to do so. The scenery in "Cleo-patra" was shipped to St. Joe today, where the play will be presented tomorrow night.

The county health society agent found 282 families in Shawnee county who did not have a Bible in their homes. The largest number of books ever loaned by the city library in one day is 305. They did this last Saturday.

The Ladies' Industrial society of the Central Congregational church met this afternoon with Mrs. C. M. Shindler. A. A. Thacker is the only Topeka man on the programme of the State Bar association that meets in Topeka today.

The county is furnishing one week's work to some of the unemployed at the county stone quarry, and paying in cash. Fred Whittinger, the lunch counter proprietor, is sick at his home in Potwin. He hasn't been down town since Friday.

W. H. Hornaday is the Topeka correspondent of the New York Times, since A. G. Steacy has gone to Salt Lake City. Three hundred and forty-nine voters have registered since January 1st. Every voter must register before the city election.

County Commissioner Knight wants some way devised to have boys under ten years old sent somewhere else than the county jail. The thermometer shelter at the government weather bureau on the top of the Columbus building looks like a giant chicken coop.

It is time Topeka had an ambulance. It is necessary in case of accident. The patrol wagon isn't a fit vehicle to haul injured people about.

Henry Wade gets into addresses the State Bar association meeting this evening. He is president of the Northwestern University at Evanston, Ill. Some unknown persons have been soliciting donations in the name of St. Johns A. M. E. church, and the members of the church are impostors.

Miss Nina Lillian Morgan, author of that bright little book, "A Slumber Song," is a member of the First Congregational church of Topeka. The Kansas Embroiderer published by L. L. Ruby for the Christian Endeavor societies of Kansas, is one of the brightest religious papers in the state.

The greatest number of rations given out in one day at the poor commissioner's office was last Saturday. There were 75. Of these, 15 men worked for what they got. It may not be generally known that many books for the Topeka Free library are bought from a fund of \$1,000 given by the Westinghouse Airbrake company in 1889.

Col. J. Monroe Holsell, of the United States department of justice, has been sent to Wichita to investigate the escape of Clyde Maxon and see who was to blame. As a matter of fact, Fanny Davenport does better acting in "La Tosca" than in "Cleopatra." There isn't so much sheet iron thunder and wind machines, but it is a better play.

It is now proposed that the police patrol and a squad of policemen go to every fire. Commissioner Knight proposes it. The policemen think one of the commissioners ought to go, too—Mr. Young, for instance. Leave your measure with Althen & McManus, and get a good fit in suit or pants.

POPULAR PRICE TAILORS, 619 KANSAS AVE. Early Risers, Early Risers, Early Risers, the famous little pills for constipation, sick headache, dyspepsia, and nervousness. J. L. JONES.

STEVENSON & CO.

717-719 KANSAS AVENUE.

Can you read these prices—and say—we are not selling goods very cheap—giving you rare bargains?

DRESS GOODS.

Stop at our Dress Good counter and see the goods we are offering.

All wool goods, former price 50c, 60c, 75c, \$1.00. We are going to sell them to you now for 25c.

Here is another: Fine all wool goods, former price 75c, 88c, 95c, \$1.00, \$1.15. You can have them now—take your pick for 49c.

Still another: Extra fine all wool goods and Novelty Suitings, former prices \$1, \$1.15, \$1.25, \$1.37, \$1.50, \$1.75. 75c will buy them this week.

Goods at these prices can't last very long.

One lot of Ladies' Kid Gloves, odd sizes, former price \$1, \$1.25, for 29c.

A lot of Ladies' all wool Mittens, reduced from 15c and 20c to 10c.

Children all wool Mittens, selling this week for 6 1/2c pair.

Children all wool Seamless Hose, all sizes, reduced from 18c, 25c, 30c to 10c pair.

We are not bankrupt, but we are selling goods cheaper than those who are.

DOMESTICS.

Look here! We are selling fine 4-4 Brown Muslin for 3c yd.

The best Standard Gingham, former price 12 1/2c, for 5c.

Do your spring shopping now and save money.

Toweling.

All linen Crash, 15 inch wide, worth 8 1/2c, for 5c.

All linen Glass Toweling, 15 inch wide, worth 10c, for 6 1/2c.

All linen Glass Toweling, 19 inch wide, worth 15c, for 10c.

A lot of Twilled Cotton Crash, 16 inch wide, worth 6 1/2c, for 4c.

Another lot of Cotton Tennis Flannel, worth 10c, for 6 1/2c.

Look at These Prices.

Quilts.

A white Crochet Quilt, worth \$1.10, for 89c.

A white Crochet Quilt, worth \$1.25, for 99c.

A white Crochet Quilt, worth \$1.35, for \$1.00.

White Marseilles, worth \$2, for \$1.69, \$2.15 for \$1.73, \$2.75 for \$2.29, \$3.25 for \$2.69.

Children all white Union Suits, former prices \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.25, your choice now for 69c suit.

Stevenson & Company, Dry Goods, Carpets and Millinery.

THE ENGINEERS' BALL.

Brave Men and Fair Women Dance at Hamilton Hall.

THREE HUNDRED PEOPLE PRESENT.

Cold Weather Did Not Prevent a Joy Throng from Whizzing to Music's strains.

The locomotive engineers, the men who grasp the throttle and carry their valuable freight to their destination or glory, danced in Hamilton's hall last night with their wives and friends, in all about 300 people. There were 140 couples in the grand march and more came later.

The weather was unfavorable for the event, and even the North Topeka members could not attend. There would have been representatives from Argentine, Newton, Wichita, Leavenworth and other Kansas towns, had the weather been better.

Several of the Topeka engineers were called away on "special" last night. One feature of the event that was looked forward to, was the presence of General Manager Frey and General Superintendent Niekerson of the Santa Fe. But both were unexpectedly called away from the city on business. Master Mechanic Smith is also out of the city. The delayed payday also proved a detriment to the sale of tickets. All these misfortunes conspired to impair the success of the event, but the conspiracy was a flat failure. The many engineers and their pretty wives, their friends, the firemen and shopmen and their wives, danced and had an exceedingly pleasant time, forgetful of the ten-below-billizard on the outside.

The dance was given not by the engineers themselves but by the grand international auxiliary of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. It was their second annual ball. Watson's orchestra furnished the music and Prof. C. D. Hudson was the prompter. The committees in charge of the ball were composed as follows:

Executive committee—Mrs. F. A. Randlett, Mrs. J. H. Snyder and Mrs. T. Porter. Invitation committee—Mrs. C. A. Fuller, Mrs. E. Scallill, Mrs. J. Kelly, Mrs. A. Beeler, Mrs. W. Hamilton, Mrs. J. Rolfe, Mrs. T. Jones and Mrs. A. Verill.

Reception committee—Mrs. W. Manley, Mrs. J. Royland, Mrs. J. McNeil, Mrs. V. Coggins, Mrs. L. Boyer, Mrs. W. Frisbie and Mrs. J. Davidson. Floor managers—J. H. Snyder, F. A. Randlett, J. McNeil, W. Hamilton, T. Porter, F. Boyer and C. Fuller.

A. H. Noonoy, James Durkin, and Thomas Hoery, all union plumbers, compose the Co-operative Steam and Plumbing Co., 625 Quincy street.

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A MUSICAL OF NOTE.

The Housewarming of Marshall's Military Band Rooms.

Marshall's military band will formally open their new rooms at 294 Kansas avenue on Wednesday evening, January 21. The members of the band have decided that the entire community are invited to attend the reception.

A special programme for the entertainment of the guests is being prepared, which will consist of a musicale, participated in by Watson's orchestra, Mrs. Geo. W. Parkhurst, Prof. Louis Bach and several solos by the members of the band. Refreshments will be served during the evening.

COAL DEALERS FIGHT.

Prices Gonna be Low in 94 for Anthracite and \$3 for Soft Coal.

There is no end of a row among the coal merchants of the city, brought about by the Topeka Coal company cutting prices on all of their coals. Mr. Hornor, in speaking of the matter today, said that the Topeka coal company would not withdraw the prices made by them until after the first of February, and maybe not then. We are determined to let the poor of the city have coal at the lowest possible figures during this extreme weather. There are many other companies that could follow our example if they would only see fit to do it. The prices made by Mr. Hornor are as follows:

Osage shaft..... \$ 5.00 Leavenworth..... 3.00 Riverside..... 3.00 Weir City and Fronton..... 3.50 Canon City..... 5.00 Penn. Anthracite..... 10.50 Elk Mountain..... 9.50 Quila..... 8.50

Green Coal Co., 530 Kansas avenue. Phone 222.

"Washburn boys can't play football, but they can talk." Come and hear them Friday night, January 26.

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Are you interested in Washburn college? If you are you will come to the contest, Friday night, January 26.

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Do you like ocratory? If you do come to the Washburn local contest, Washburn chapel, Friday night, January 26.

OMAHA, Neb., May 5, 1891. I have tried a great many remedies for headache, and Krause's Headache Capsules knock it quicker than anything I ever tried. D. W. McVea.

Sold by all druggists. Morris Hahn has located at Stansfield's drug store, 602 Kansas ave., with Edson's latest photograph, carrying all the latest music up to date. He is prepared to give concerts at private parties and socials at reasonable prices. Tel. 289. Neck band put on by the Peerless.

SHIRTS.

Gent's Night Shirts, slightly soiled. These were sold for 50c, 59c and 65c, all going now at 44c.

26 dozen the best shirts ever shown for the money, reinforced front, double back, linen bosom and wristbands, our price this week only 48c.

20 dozen Gent's Open Front Unlaundered Shirts, made of New York mills muslin, our \$1.00 shirt, reduced to 67c this week.

Don't miss this sale of shirts at these prices.

Underwear.

Gent's Natural Grey Shirts. Here is a bargain, will close them out at 35c.

Gent's Gold Mixed Wool Underwear, broken sizes, price was \$1.25, reduced to 87 1/2 cents.

Gent's all wool Scarlet Underwear, former price \$1.19, reduced to 75c this week.

Gent's Heavy Camel's Hair Underwear, regular price \$1.25, sell this week for 88 cents.

Ladies' China Silk Handkerchiefs, initial in all styles and colors, reduced to 11 cents.

Ladies' all wool Ribbed and Flat Hose, worth 39c, our price this week 25c pair.

20 dozen Ladies' Black Cotton Hose, finished, worth 15c, our price 5c pair.

Children's White Merino Underwear, all sizes: Sizes, 14, 16, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32, 34, 32, 35c, 35c, 30c, 32c.

Think of buying a suit of Underwear for 18 cents.

Ladies' Equestrienne Tights, all wool, our \$1.25 quality, for 98c, \$1.50 for \$1.15, \$2.00 and \$2.50 for \$1.75.

Just received 50 dozen Children's School Handkerchiefs with fancy border.

One lot, 2 for..... 3c One lot, 2 for..... 5c One lot at..... 4c One lot at..... 5c

Table Linen.

Here is something that always pleases the ladies. What looks more beautiful on the dining table than nice fresh table linen. Come and see our stock.

Napkins.

Here is another article we all like. We are sure we can please you in our Linen department. If we can't there's no house that can.

Embroideries.

Come and see our new Embroideries. We have a fine line at all prices, from the narrow muslin edge to the wide fine swisses.

UTTERLY DESTROYED.

Mr. James Hayes' House and Contents Burned Last Evening.

The residence of James Hayes, the florist, on Euclid avenue was entirely destroyed by fire last night.

It was about 9 o'clock when fire was discovered in the second story of the house and within an hour after the discovery the house and all its contents were in ashes. The strong north wind fanned the flames and in ten minutes after the fire started it was impossible to get into the house. None of the furniture or other household goods could be taken out.

The fire originated in the floor between the first and second stories, where an overheated stove pipe set the wood-work alight.

The large green houses situated just west of the house were not at all injured by the fire.

Mr. Hayes had considerably improved his place during the last year and the loss will be quite a heavy one.

The building was worth about \$3,000 and it is understood that the insurance will be from \$1,000 to \$1,500.

None of the family received any injuries at the fire, and after the house had been destroyed they remained with neighbors all night.

Deafness Cannot be Cured by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the eustachian tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give one hundred dollars for any case of deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free. P. J. Grenyer & Co., Toledo, O.

Sold by druggists, 75c. Order your Plumbing done by the Co-operative Steam and Plumbing Co., 625 Quincy street, and save money and get good work done.

American Steam Laundry, 112 West 7th. Telephone 541.

Greatly Reduced Prices For Coal of All Kinds.

The Southwestern Fuel company for prompt delivery offer coal delivered in any part of the city at the following prices:

Osage shaft (screened)..... \$ 1.00 Best Osage City shaft (screened)..... 850 Richmond and Camden..... 820 Weir City and Fronton..... 800 Canon City Lump of egg..... 725 Lehigh, Penn., anthracite..... 700 Los Cerrillos anthracite..... 650 Trinidad coke..... 600 Steam coal of all kinds at proportionately low prices.

These prices will also be protected on orders left now for future delivery. This is an opportunity for those desiring to do so to contract for coal required during the balance of the winter at very low prices. When you place orders with us you get what you order in quality and quantity. All deliveries will pass over city scales if purchaser so desires. On wagon-load orders, (two tons or more) for one delivery, still lower prices than those named above will be made. Call at our office for further information and see samples of each kind of coal.

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